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IN DISCUSSING THE POSITION OF THE SEYCHELLES ON THE INDIAN
OCEAN UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN KIGALI FEB 8 FOR THE OCAM
SUMMIT CONFERENCE, PRESIDENT JAMES MANCHAM SAID THAT THE INTEREST
OF THE GREAT POWERS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN WORRIES THE SEYCHELLES
VERY MUCH. MANCHAM SAID QUOTE WE HAVE OPTED FOR A POLICY TO
ESTABLISH ZONE OF PEACE KNOWING THAT THE AMERICANS ARE IN
THE PROCESS OF BUILDING A BASE AT DIEGO GARCIA; WE LEARN
THAT THIS IS BEING DONE TO COUNTERBALANCE THE SOVIET PRESENCE
IN SOMALIA. ALL OF THIS WORRIES US VERY MUCH; WE PREFER TO
HAVE AN OCEAN WHERE THERE IS NOT ANY GREAT POWER PENETRATION.
HOWEVER, IT IS BETTER TO KNOW THAT THERE
IS A BALANCED SITUATION. WE WOULD NOT LIKE TO
SEE THE INDIAN OCEAN UNDER THE SOLE CONTROL OF A SINGLE
POWER. END QUOTE. CRIGLER

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